

TO: Chairman and Members

DATE: November 14, 2013

**SUBJECT: Funding Recommendations from the
Executive Steering Committee for the
2013 California Gang Reduction,
Intervention and Prevention Program**

AGENDA ITEM: D

ACTION: X

INFORMATION:

RESOURCE PERSON: Oscar E. Villegas

Summary:

This agenda item requests approval of the 2013 California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention Program grant awards for the California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention (CalGRIP) Program, as recommended by the Executive Steering Committee (ESC). If the proposed list of grantees is approved by the Board they become effective January 1, 2014 and expire December 31, 2015.

Background:

In 2007, the governor initiated the CalGRIP program as an anti-gang initiative to help communities support various prevention, intervention or suppression strategies to reduce gang and youth violence. The program was originally administered by the Governor's Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy, and most recently by the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA). On July 1, 2012, the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) assumed responsibility for administering this program and for annually administering \$9.215 million beginning in state fiscal year 2012-2013. Of these funds, \$1 million is a direct allocation to the City of Los Angeles, and \$8.215 is available for all other cities on a competitive basis.

In May of this year the Board authorized Board member Maggard, as the Chair of the Gang Issues Standing Committee, to serve as the Chair of the CalGRIP Executive Steering Committee (ESC) to oversee the Request for Proposals (RFP) process and release the RFP. The Board also authorized staff to work with the Chair to identify subject matter experts from diverse disciplines to serve on this ESC. The RFP was released August 8, 2013, and notification of the solicitation was sent to all city managers and police chiefs. Once the ESC was established all members were provided rater training and given approximately two weeks to rate the proposals. As previously mentioned the total amount available is \$8.215 million and approximately \$20 million was requested. Applicant cities were allowed to apply for a maximum of \$500,000. On November 1, 2013, the ESC met in person to establish a final ranking of the proposals, and the list of proposals is attached (attachment A) and before you today for your consideration.

Should the Board authorize staff to proceed with the recommendation, we will immediately conduct a grantee briefing so that all grantees can begin January 1, 2014.

Recommendation/Action Needed:

Staff is seeking approval of the recommendations provided by the CalGRIP Executive Steering Committee.